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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chairwoman
House Appropriations Committee
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
House Appropriations Committee
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding an Indigenous Farm Hub in fiscal year 2023.

The entity to receive funding for this project is Tides Center, located at 6370 Corrales Rd. Corrales, New Mexico 87048.

The funding would be used for Establishing a shared-use facility an agricultural training facility and business incubator operated out of Sandoval County, primarily serving Indigenous people in northwest and central New Mexico. This program develops core farming and ranching production and business skills, and preserves traditional Indigenous agricultural practices, known to be ecologically and environmentally sound, sustainable, and regenerative to damaged lands.

This request for Community Project Funding is for Indigenous Farm Hub to obtain 6.2 acres of land at \$175,000/acre for a total of \$1,085,000. One Generation has already secured partial funds, leaving \$810,000 remaining to be raised. The request of \$960,000 through the HUD EDI will secure the necessary \$810,000 for land purchase and \$150,000 to support the construction and purchase items necessary to establish this shared use facility and support workforce training and development. The \$150,000 includes \$45,000 - purchase and install 40' x 50' metal barn; \$30,000 - walk-in refrigerator; \$10,000 - food packaging station; \$5,000 - two triple washing stations; and \$60,000 - refrigerated delivery truck.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Member of Congress Sincerely,



Teresa Leger Fernández
Member of Congress